



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Fish and Wildlife Commission

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019 – SPECIAL MEETING

1:00 PM Wolf Advisory Committee meeting – Commissioners Thorburn, Holzmilller, Baker
Location: **Spokane Airport – Executive Conference Room**

Agenda topics

- Review of purpose
- Clarification of timelines for WDFW policy-level wolf-related actions/decisions
- Calendaring of Wolf Committee mtgs and/or workshops

3:00 PM Wildlife Committee meeting – Commissioners Thorburn, Holzmilller, Baker
Location: **Spokane Airport – Executive Conference Room**

Agenda topics

- Wildlife Program Briefing (current events)
- Legislative Update
- Hunting Rules discussion

5:30 PM 1. **Executive Session - Performance**

2 hrs

Location: Ramada by Wyndham Spokane Airport – 8909 W Airport Drive

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, the Commission will meet in executive session. No action will be taken during executive session and the public is not permitted to attend.

7:30 PM **Recess**

MARCH 1-2, 2019 – Regular Meeting

Ramada by Wyndham Spokane Airport – 8909 W Airport Drive, Spokane WA 99224 - Inland Empire Room

8:00 AM 2. **Call to Order**

15 min

- Commissioners' Discussion
- Meeting Minute Approval
- Committee Reports if available

8:15 AM 3. **Open Public Input**

30 min

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8:45 AM 4. **Director's Report**

45 min

The Director will brief the Commission on various items.

9:30 AM 5. **Lands 20/20 – Briefing**

30 min

Department staff will provide a briefing on the Lands 20/20 process and will seek funding for projects approved through this process.

Staff Report: Cynthia Wilkerson, Lands Division Manager

10:00 AM **6. Small Game – Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*

Department staff will brief the Commission on proposed dates, bag limits, and other rules for small game.

Staff Report: Anis Aoude, Game Division Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

10:30 AM **Break** *15 min*

10:45 AM **7. Migratory Waterfowl Seasons and Regulations - Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*

Department staff will brief the Commission on migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.

Staff Report: Kyle Spragens, Waterfowl Section Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

11:15 AM **8. Landowner Hunting Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*

Department staff will brief the Commission on landowner hunting permits.

Staff Report: Ciera Strickland, Private Lands Access Program Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

11:45 AM **9. Hunter Orange – Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*

Department staff will brief the Commission on hunter orange requirements

Staff Report: Anis Aoude, Game Division Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

12:00 PM **Lunch** *75 min*

1:15 PM **10. Deer General Seasons and Special Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *40 min*

Department staff will brief the Commission on deer general seasons and special permits.

Staff Report: Sara Hansen, Statewide Deer Specialist

Public Input – This Item Only

1:50 PM **11. Hunting Boundaries and Equipment – Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*

Department staff will brief the Commission on hunting boundaries and equipment.

Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Deer and Elk Section Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

- 2:20 PM** **12. Reducing the Spread of Hoof Disease – Briefing and Public Hearing** *20 min*
 Department staff will brief the Commission on elk game management unit changes.
- Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Deer and Elk Section Manager
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 2:40 PM** **13. Elk General Seasons and Special Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing** *30 min*
 Department staff will brief the Commission on elk general seasons and special permits.
- Staff Report: Brock Hoenes, Deer and Elk Section Manager
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 3:10 PM** **Break** *15 min*
- 3:25 PM** **14. Bighorn Sheep Seasons and Auction, Raffle, and Special Permits - Briefing and Public Hearing** *20 min*
 Department staff will brief the Commission on bighorn sheep seasons and on new auction, raffle, and special permit opportunities.
- Staff Report: Richard Harris, Ph.D., Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, and Moose Section Manager
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 3:45 PM** **15. Mountain Goat Seasons - Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
 Department staff will brief the Commission on mountain goat seasons.
- Staff Report: Richard Harris, Ph.D., Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, and Moose Section Manager
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 4:00 PM** **16. Moose Seasons - Briefing and Public Hearing** *15 min*
 Department staff will brief the Commission on moose seasons.
- Staff Report: Richard Harris, Ph.D., Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, and Moose Section Manager
- Public Input – This Item Only**
- 4:15 PM** **17. Presentation by Reardan FFA Ag Issues Team** *30 min*
 The Reardan FFA Chapter Agricultural Issues team has developed a presentation about "Puget Sound's Southern Resident Killer Whales – Is Washington Doing Enough to Save the Southern Resident Killer Whales?" and will debate it and answer questions from Commissioners.
- Presenters: - Rylan Anderson, Jessie Williams, Kimberly Dewey, Tyler Sprecher, Josh Kieffer, Noah Landt, and Zane Perleberg.

4:45 PM Recess

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019

Ramada by Wyndham Spokane Airport – 8909 W Airport Drive, Spokane WA 99224 - Inland Empire Room

8:00 AM 18. Future Meeting Planning – Discussion *30 min*
Commissioners and staff will discuss upcoming meetings and conference calls.

8:30 AM 19. Open Public Input *30 min*
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9:00 AM 20. Columbia River Policy Review - Joint WA/OR Committee Update, Public Input, and Possible Decision *2 hrs*
Committee members along with staff will provide the Commission an update on the progress and possible recommendation from the Joint WA/OR Columbia River Policy Review Committee for 2019 concurrent policies and regulations, as needed for the onset of the 2019 North of Falcon Process. Progress on a long term agreement for policy and regulatory concurrency will also be reported.

Committee Report: Don McIsaac, David Graybill and Bob Kehoe

Staff Report: Bill Tweit, Special Assistant and Ryan Lothrop, Columbia River Fishery Manager

Public Input – This Item Only

11:00 AM 21. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief *15 min*
The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before or during the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published.

11:15 AM Adjourn

MEMBERS

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(Eastern Washington position, Asotin County)
Occupation: Equipment Operator, Asotin County Public Works, Rancher
Term: 06/10/2013 – 12/31/2018

Robert Kehoe, Seattle
(At-large position, King County)
Occupation: Executive Director, Purse Seine Vessel Owners' Association
Current Term: 01/01/2015 – 12/31/2020

Don McIsaac, Ph.D., Hockinson
(Western Washington Position, Clark County)
Occupation: Retired Executive Director of the Pacific Fishery Management Council; Part-time Consultant
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Kim Thorburn, MD, MPH, Spokane
(Eastern Washington position, Spokane County)
Occupation: Retired Public Health Physician
Current Term: 01/23/2017 - 12/31/2022

Bradley Smith, Ph.D., Bellingham
(Western Washington position, Whatcom County)
Occupation: Dean Emeritus, Environmental Science Western Washington University
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